

Curriculum Vitae



Personal information

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Nationality USA

Date of birth 24 April 1985

Skills

- Core competencies in marketing, strategy, business development, policy, and research amongst environmental and clean energy fields
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills; accountable and effective in individual, team and leadership roles
- Exceptional written and oratory skills in English and Spanish
- International educational background and career network. Worked, traveled or studied in over 40 countries

Work experience

07/2012-7/2013 [MegaBess US](#)

Director of Marketing

Main activities and responsibilities Key team member for a battery energy storage start-up based on Bellevue, WA. Contributions included B2B marketing, market analysis and business intelligence, business development and strategic planning. Developed marketing and investment materials, designed powerpoint presentations, identified leads, grants and partnerships, responded to proposals, performed competitor analysis and industry tracking.

07/2011-08/2011 [Central European University](#)

Consultant, Campus Sustainability Initiative

Main activities and responsibilities Co-leader of a project to advance sustainability performance of Central European University. Established building efficiency program, university bike share, recycling program, and institutionalized a sustainability fund and administrative council.

02/2009-06/2010 [United States House of Representatives](#)

Operations, Office of the Clerk

Main activities and responsibilities Worked in the US Capitol for House Clerk Lorraine Miller. Responsibilities included assisting in legislative research and procedure, press and safety operations, and administrative duties. Initiated transition of House Leadership (Speaker, Majority Leader, etc.) vehicle fleet to hybrid electric.

12/2008-02/2009 [United States Senate](#)

Intern, [Senator Maria Cantwell](#)

Main activities and responsibilities Assisted with constituent letters and research related to Environmental and Energy issues.

08/2008-11/2008 [Grassroots Campaigns, Democratic National Committee \(DNC\)](#)

Main activities and responsibilities	Assistant Director, Washington DC Office Co-director of a campaign fundraising office for the Democratic National Committee of about 40 employees. Responsibilities included recruitment and interviewing, training, team building and leading grassroots organizing and fundraising efforts. Personally raised >\$20,000.																														
Education																															
9/2010-6/2012	Masters in Environmental Sciences, Policy & Management (MESPOM) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Erasmus Mundus joint-degree: Lund University (Sweden), Central European University (Hungary), University of Manchester (England), University of the Aegean (Greece)Rigorous masters program aimed at identifying and implementing solutions to complex environmental sustainability challengesIntegrated inter- and multi-disciplinary curriculum, theoretical and practical experienceFocus with leading Swedish university on implementing environmental management, industrial efficiency, and sustainability strategies for businesses, organizations and policy.Thesis work on distributed wind energy in ArgentinaGPA: 3.58																														
2003-2007	University of Washington, Seattle, WA <ul style="list-style-type: none">Bachelors of Arts from the Jackson School of International Studies, Development Studies Track. Jackson School GPA: 3.5Study abroad: Cuba and Guatemala																														
Publications																															
2011, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Figel, Tom. Small and Distributed Wind Energy in Argentina (Lund University, 2012)International Institute for Industrial Environmental Economics [IIIEE]. (2011). Energy Futures Øresund A Sustainable Energy Strategy for Northern Europe and Scandinavia. Lund: IIIEE. (co-author)																														
Personal skills and competences																															
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	(*) Common European Framework of Reference for Languages																														
Professional Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none">US House of Representatives Learning Center classes: ‘Legislative Research’, ‘House News Stand/Factiva’, ‘Microsoft Vista’, ‘Microsoft Office’USDA Graduate School: ‘Time Management’																														

Leadership, Volunteer &
Organizational Skills

Clinton Foundation Volunteer (01/2012-07/2012)

Researcher for the [Clinton Climate Initiative](#) (CCI), a global foundation that promotes energy efficiency in the world's largest cities. Led research on municipal-level building efficiency strategies of Copenhagen and Stockholm.

CEU Sustainable Campus Initiative (09/2010-06/2012)

Active member of this campus organization, working to incorporate sustainable principals into the university community, curriculum and built environment. Awarded the 2011 Student Engagement Prize for these efforts.

University of Washington Guatemala Project (2007)

Worked as a co-leader of this project's fundraising effort, which included letter writing, grant-seeking, and primarily, a charitable auction; helped raise a total of \$70,000. Remained active on administrative board to ensure accountability to beneficiaries of this community development and solidarity project.

Obama for America Campaign Volunteer (2008)

Social skills and competences

University of Washington Fraternity President (2007), Recruitment Officer (2006)

Developed leadership, networking, communication, and administrative skills.

Computer skills and competences

- Microsoft Office (Word, PowerPoint and Excel)
- Mapping programs Google Earth, ArcView
- Basic command of Final Cut Pro editing software

Other skills and activities

- Sailing, in 2008 sailed from Cape Town to Brazil in a three-man crew.
- Traveled and worked throughout the world (Asia, Europe, Africa, South America) for nine months after graduation (Aug 2007-May 2008)
- Outdoor activities and athletics, especially, sailing, climbing, surfing, swimming and basketball.